

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A superconducting cable comprising:
a former made of a normal-conducting metal;
a first superconducting layer formed around the outer circumference of said former and in electrical communication with the former;
an electric insulating layer formed around the outer circumference of said first superconducting layer;
a second superconducting layer formed around the outer circumference of said electric insulating layer; and
a normal-conducting metal layer is formed only between said electric insulating layer and said second superconducting layer;

wherein said first and second superconducting layers are in a state cooled by a refrigerant.
2. (Cancelled).
3. (Previously Presented) The superconducting cable according to claim 1, wherein said normal-conducting metal layer is formed by winding round wires with a round cross section or tape-shaped wires formed from a normal-conducting metal.
4. (Currently Amended) The superconducting cable according to claim 3, further comprising a wire insulating layers around ~~their~~ outer circumferences of the wires.
5. – 7. (Cancelled).
8. (Original) The superconducting cable according to claim 1, wherein said superconducting wires have a matrix ratio within a range between 1.5 or more and 3.0 or less.
9. – 10. (Cancelled).